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How the Kidneys Are Weakened by Over-Work.

Weakness of the kidneys is a common ailment... The kidneys are the great filters of the body...

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Who the Democratic Candidates Are.

Champ Clark, of Missouri; born in Kentucky 1850; college president at 23; prosecuting attorney; member of congress since 1893; minority leader 1908-11; speaker since 1911.

Woodrow Wilson, of New Jersey; born in Virginia 1856; practiced law at Atlanta; professor in Bryn Mawr, Wesleyan and Princeton colleges; president Princeton College, 1902-10; governor of New Jersey since 1911.

Judson Harmon, of Ohio; born in Ohio 1846; judge in two courts; attorney general United States 1895-7; professor of law; receiver of two railroads; governor of Ohio since 1909.

Oscar W. Underwood, of Alabama; born in Kentucky 1862; practiced law at Birmingham; helped frame state constitution; member of congress since 1895; majority leader since 1911.

Thomas R. Marshall, of Indiana; born in Indiana 1854; lawyer at Columbia City; trustee Wabash College; governor of Indiana since 1909.

Simon E. Baldwin, of Connecticut; born in Connecticut 1840; professor of law at Yale; chief justice state supreme court 1907-10; governor of Connecticut since 1911.

John Burke, of North Dakota; born in Iowa 1859; county judge; member both houses state legislature; serving third term governor of North Dakota.

A Fetching Argument.

The girls in and around Macon, Mo., have issued an ultimatum to the young men who wait on them.

Now, if you have ever lived in a country town you will readily appreciate the powerful influence of this new factor in roadmaking.

That will bring the young men to a realization of the cost of bad roads and convert them into good roads boosters when they would give no consideration to a carefully prepared table of figures to show that the royal road to riches was the thoroughfare that was scientifically graded and well paved.—Kansas City Times.

Home Water Works.

Probably the greatest single benefit that could come to the average farm woman would be the installation of a good water works system.

The cost is very much less than the average farmer imagines and the benefits from it very much greater.

Farm papers from time to time have published plans for home water works and the Progressive Farmer has recently asked the National Department of Agriculture to provide free bulletins on the subject.

Let the farmer who has been bringing water from a distant spring, get out a pencil and paper, put down the distance in feet or yards, multiply it by the number of trips he must make on an average day, and multiply again by 365, and he will realize how many hundreds of miles he has traveled in the course of a year, and how many days work are required for getting an adequate supply of water for the house.

A good water works system would not only save all this time and labor, but afford one of the greatest advantages of city life by providing water in all parts of the house.

Every farmer who has a proper regard for the welfare of the woman he has chosen for his wife, therefore, and who can possibly afford it, should set about installing an adequate water works system.—The Progressive Farmer.

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THIRD TERM BALLOTS IN 1880.

The Faithful 306 Stood by Grant to the Very Last Ballot.

In the Republican national convention of 1880, in which General Grant was a candidate for a third Presidential term, there were 755 delegates. The number necessary for a choice was 378. On the first ballot the vote was Grant, 304; Blaine, 284; John Sherman, 93; Edmunds, 34; Washburne, 30, and Windom, 10.

The balloting ran on with little change until the thirty-first ballot, the result of which was Grant, 308; Sherman, 118; Edmunds, 11; Washburne, 37; Windom, 3; Garfield, 1, and Conkling, 1.

Before the convention ended it reached into the second week. The third termers could make no material gain. Their last hope was that when the break came they would gain the votes needed.

There were only two more ballots. On the thirty-fifth Grant received 313, which was his high mark.

Garfield went up to 50, an indication that the decisive break was at hand. Here is the finish, the thirty-sixth ballot, as historically recorded:

Grant, 306; Blaine, 42; Sherman, 3; Washburne, 5; Garfield, 299. Edmunds and Windom were eliminated.

The third term vote in the convention ended almost exactly where it began. Grant's greatness was not disputed. But there was then, as now, a profound feeling against a third term for any man.

A great mass of conservative citizens, regardless of party ties, objected to a departure from the traditions of the government. They were not affected by hero worship, even a hero of Grant's magnitude.

They would have scorned a demagogue, which Grant never was, and they would have looked upon a noisy, egotistical hotspur as a menace to the stability of the government itself.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Walking 24,000 Miles for Water.

The North Carolina Christian Advocate tells the story of a farmer whose family had to carry water from a spring about a quarter of a mile away.

His wife, after thirty years of this work ventured to complain about it and a little figuring was the result. The farmer could scarcely believe it when he found that his wife had walked 24,000 miles carrying water from this spring.

As soon as he realized what his carelessness in this respect meant he had a well dug right at the house.

Of course, there will be less walking for the good woman to do to get water from the well, yet, if the farmer had figured a little longer, he would doubtless have found out that the time and labor spent in pumping water from the well would amount to enough to make this a very expensive way of getting water when compared with a system of home water works.

The reason so much unnecessary work of this kind is done is that people never stop to figure out just what these crude ways of doing things really cost.—The Progressive Farmer.

Building Highways.

To-day work begun on the sand-clay road of King's Mountain precinct beginning at the corporate limits of the town, on what is known as the King's Mountain-Shelby road.

It will be remembered that this precinct voted \$25,000 road bonds some months ago, and under the direction of the highway commission, this amount will be spent during the next two years in the construction of about 30 miles of highway.

Work is now being pushed from Shelby to Buffalo creek on the above named road and the county of Gaston will, within two or three months, finish the fine macadam road from King's Mountain to Gastonia, thereby giving an up-to-date highway the entire distance from Charlotte to Shelby by way of Belmont, McAdenville, Gastonia and Linwood College.—Cleveland Star.

Which is best for a potato house, a brick wall with dead air space or a wooden wall packed with sawdust?

The brick wall will be the most permanent and costly, and I do not think, that so far as the potatoes are concerned, will be any better than the wooden wall.—W. F. Massey, in Progressive Farmer.

An Old Landmark.

Washington, D. C., June 17.—The last week has witnessed the beginning of the removal of a historic landmark from the city of Washington—the Arlington Hotel.

For more than half a century it has housed famous men of this country. J. Pierpont Morgan at one time kept a suite of rooms constantly engaged there, and it is related that during the Cleveland administration the negotiations by which the Morgan syndicate acquired an entire issue of government bonds authorized by the last Democratic President, were conducted under the shelter of the Arlington Hotel, in the rooms of the financial manager.

The old hotel has been sold and will be removed to be replaced by a new structure, one of the most costly ever erected in this city of wonderful public buildings. When complete it is estimated that the new building will cost over three million dollars.

The furnishings and ornaments have been on sale at auction for many days, and scores of men and women whose names are familiar to the public have been buying bric-a-brac, rare vases and pictures.

At times the auction room resembled a social function, and fabulous prices were paid for articles having little intrinsic value but famous for their associations.

State Normal College.

We desire to call attention to the advertisement of the State Normal and Industrial College which appears in this issue.

Every year shows a steady growth in this institution devoted to the higher education of the women of North Carolina.

Including the Training School, the College last year has a total enrollment of 605 students. Ninety-one of the one hundred counties of the State had representatives in the student body.

Nine-tenths of all the graduates of this institution have taught or are now teaching in the schools of North Carolina.

The dormitories are furnished by the State and board is provided at actual cost. Two hundred appointments with free tuition, apportioned among the several counties according to school population, will be awarded to applicants about the middle of July.

Students who wish to attend this institution next year should make application as early as possible, as the capacity of the dormitories is limited.

We Must Stop The Destruction.

Conservation of the forests in the Appalachians and on the far-off slopes of the Rockies might not have prevented the floods in the Mississippi Valley this spring, but it certainly would have lessened the damage done by them.

It is getting high time for the American people to realize that the matter of forest protection, the storage of flood waters and the prevention of erosion are not only matters of local interest, but of vital concern to every citizen.

The Ohio and its tributaries carry the soil of the Central and South Central States down to fill up the bed of the Mississippi and thus make it harder for the people who live along its banks to escape the heavy freshets.

The washing of the mountain farmer's land adds to the troubles of the farmers in the river bottoms, and there is no escaping from it. We must stop soil waste and destruction.—The Progressive Farmer.

DOCTORS AFRAID TO GIVE CALOMEL.

After-Effects Uncertain and Often Dangerous. Dodson's Liver-Tone, a Mild Medicine, Takes Its Place.

The use of calomel has been stopped in thousands of homes. Dodson's Liver-Tone, a pleasant, vegetable liver tonic that is a perfect substitute for calomel in curing constipation and biliousness, is taken instead.

Dodson's Liver-Tone is absolutely harmless and its use is not followed by nausea and another attack of constipation as often happens after taking calomel.

E. T. Whitehead Co.'s, drug store has sold so much Dodson's Liver-Tone and it has been so satisfactory wherever taken, that they guarantee to give any person his money back if he does not find it a perfect substitute for calomel. No restriction of habits or diet is necessary.

Cheapest accident insurance—Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. Stops the pain and heals the wound. All druggists sell it.

PRIZES ARE AWARDED.

School Children Capture Prizes for Killing the Most Flies.

The committee of North Carolina Sorois which had charge of the campaign waged against the fly during the month of May has awarded to Miss Wood's room of the fourth grade of Union school the first prize of \$5.00 for catching the largest number of flies during the period.

The children in this room, as previously noted, killed 265,000 flies, according to the record kept of the slaughter. For the most original and effective fly-trap the prize of \$3.00 was awarded to Harris Newman, son of Mrs. Linda Newman, who was a pupil in the seventh grade of Hemenway school.

Howard Hanby also presented an original and very effective trap and deserves special mention.

While the campaign in Wilmington did not produce the results that were hoped for and are being obtained in other cities, yet the ladies feel that their efforts have not been in vain, that a good start has been made, especially in the matter of educating the public to the importance of having a flyless city, and there is no doubt but that a similar campaign next year will be more fruitful.

The prize money awarded to the Union school children will be used next year in carrying forward the work of exterminating the fly which was begun by this year's class.—Wilmington Star.

A Result of Jury Service.

"Could you tell us how far it is to the postoffice?" we asked of the man standing on the railway platform.

"I have no idea," he replied. "Well, in what direction is it?"

"I have not formed an opinion." "Can we walk there, or should we take a car?"

"I could not say." "There is a postoffice here is there not?"

"I could not decide that with my present information." "But every town has a postoffice, hasn't it?"

"I have not talked with anybody on the subject." "Is there any one around here who can tell us?"

"I have not read any of the newspapers." "But, man, you surely know whether or not there is a postoffice?"

"I could not give a decisive answer to that?" "But don't you live here?"

"I have never given the matter any thought." "Where do you live?"

"I have no mental bias in the matter." "Great guns, man! You know you're alive, don't you?"

"I should be guided entirely by the evidence." Here a listener plucked our sleeve smilingly. He took us to one side and says:

"You won't get anything out of him if you quiz him all day. That's Pete Hobawot, who's been on so many jury panels it has affected him."—Chicago Post.

Makes The Nation Gasp.

The awful list of injuries on a Fourth of July staggers humanity. Set over against it, however, is the wonderful healing, by Bucklen's Arnica Salve, of thousands, who suffered from burns, cuts, bruises, bullet wounds or explosions.

It's the quick healer of boils, ulcers, eczema, sore lips or piles. 25 cents at E. T. Whitehead Company's.

Is Your Time Valuable?

The man who walks across the field four times, or even two times, to cultivate each row of cotton or corn wastes enough labor in one season, if he has a crop of any size, to pay for a two-horse cultivator.

If any reader doubts this, let him take a pencil and piece of paper and figure out for himself just how much time he spends in walking backwards and forwards across his fields.—The Progressive Farmer.

HOW BLOOD IS MADE.

The liquids and the digested foods in the alimentary canal pass through the wall of the canal into the blood. This process is called absorption and takes place chiefly from the small intestine.

After absorption the blood carries the food through the body, and each cell takes from the blood the food it needs. A pure glyceric extract made from bloodroot, manna, stone, queen's root and golden seal root, and sold by druggists for the past forty years under the name of

Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, gives uniformly excellent results as a tonic to help in the assimilation of the food and in the absorption by the blood of the food it requires.

Eradicate the poisons from the blood with this alternative extract which does not shrink the white blood corpuscles, because containing no alcohol or other injurious ingredients. Thus the body can be built up—strong to resist disease. This is a tonic taken from Nature's garden that builds up those who are weakened by disease. Sold by druggists everywhere. Address World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Charles F. Parker, Jr., of 82 Woodlawn Ave., Philadelphia, Pa., writes: "I was troubled with my stomach for almost three years. Several doctors said I must eat everything anybody recommended to me. I tried several doctors and honestly did not care to live as I was eating and sleeping through, at times, I had no more. My symptoms were as follows: Always tired, my whole body in a throbbing, itching, and sore state. I was unable to eat or sleep. I was very nervous, and I was very melancholy. But after taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery with the Pleasant Tablets I was restored to a well man which is something to live for."

Bright Light in Calamity. Times of general calamity and confusion have ever been productive of the greatest minds. The purest ore is produced from the hottest furnace, and the brightest thunderbolt is elected from the darkest storm.—Lacan.

When your child has whooping cough be careful to keep the cough loose and expectoration easy by giving Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as may be required. This remedy will also liquify the tough mucus and make it easier to expectorate. It has been used successfully in many epidemics and is safe and sure. For sale by all dealers.

Cannot Eliminate Love. A periodical devoted to the drama pleads for plays based on some emotion other than love. The difficulty in producing such plays is that every play must have a hero, and in making a hero the playwright, as well as his audience, almost inevitably adopts the view expressed two thousand years ago by a poet in one of the dead wastes of Persia: "He who has never loved a woman is not a gentleman."

Move On Now! says a policeman to a street crowd, and whacks heads if it don't. "Move on now," says the big, harsh mineral pill to bowel congestion and suffering follows. Dr. King's New Life Pills don't bulldoze the bowels. They gently persuade them to right action, and health follows. 25 cents at E. T. Whitehead Company's.

Christmas Makes Demand. The German demand for apples and nuts to hang on Christmas trees is always very great. The inland production of apples, even in a favorable year, although large, is far too small for the demand, in spite of the fact that thousands of acres of new trees are planted each year. In order to supply the inland market, large quantities of apples and nuts must be imported from abroad each year.

Here is Relief for Women. If you have pains in the back, Urinary, Bladder or Kidney trouble, try Mother Gray's Aromatic Leaf, a pleasant herb remedy for women's ills and a great system regulator. At druggists or by mail 50c., sample free. Address, Mother Gray Company, LeRoy, N. Y.

Misquotation. It is very surprising to find in the Charlotte Observer this misquotation of an old phrase, "Worshiping was lovely and the goose was hanging high." This is the way the unformed communitally have come to write it, but in the Tar Heel country they know better. The right rendering is "the goose hangs high," as the wild goose does when the weather is fine, or, in other words, when "everything is lovely."—Nashville Banner.

"I suffered habitually from constipation. Doan's Regula relieved and strengthened the bowels so that they have been regular ever since."—A. E. Davis, grocer, Sulphur Springs, Tex.

Women in Suicide Epidemic. No fewer than five suicides, all of women, were committed in Paris one recent day. A mother and her daughter took cyanide of potassium because they had had no food for three days. The daughter was a lyric artist. A young Austrian girl of 18 threw herself onto the rails as a train was entering the Marburg station of the Metro. A woman of 40 took arsenic, and the fifth, who was 27, shot herself through the heart.

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Water Elephant. The water elephant is a newly discovered animal found in central Asia.

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